GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:253
ANSWERED ON:09.08.2000
SUPER SPECIALITY HOSPITALS
VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from State Governments for the construction of Super Speciality Hospitals in the States for providing medical care under ESI scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such hospitals constructed so far in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.253 FOR 9.8.2000 REGARDING SUPER SPECIALITY HOSPITALS.

(a) & (b): The ESI Corporation has received a proposal from the Government of Kerala to set up a 50-bed super speciality hospital in the field of cardiology at Asramam, Kollam, Kerala.

(c): Nil.

(d): Keeping in view the fast technological advancement and the changes required within the existing institutions, the ESI Corporation has approved an Action Plan to bring about improvement in medical services under the ESI Scheme. Accordingly, the Corporation has decided to set up super-speciality services within the existing ESI hospitals so as to provide medical, surgical, diagnostic and rehabilitative facilities along with 24-hour availability of accident, emergency and critical care services. As medical care under the ESI Scheme is being administered by the State Governments/UT Administrations, the Corporation has requested them to select suitable hospitals and plan development of all the activities including super-speciality services in a comprehensive manner on zonal basis in consultation with the ESIC. In order to ensure that the ESI beneficiaries do get super speciality treatment, the State Governments have been requested to make tie-up contractual arrangements with local reputed medical institutions. A revolving fund has also been set up with Regional Directors of the ESIC in most of the States to grant advance/medical reimbursement to insured persons for super speciality treatment.